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Parking plagues campus, students fight for options

Officials present Innovista Master Plan in student forum

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Students with a vehicle know the difficulty in finding parking spaces on campus, even with a parking pass. USC administrators hope that problem will be solved through the Innovista Master Plan.

The Innovista Master Plan, which hopes to improve campus wide transportation, was presented during a forum in Russell House Monday night, where students were encouraged to voice their opinions on what they believe USC truly needs in terms of parking.

“Our goal is to make campus a place that really fulfills all the potential it has,” said Andrew McClurg, a senior associate at Sasaki Associates Incorporated.

Although USC has a bus system and has earned the League of American Bicyclists’ Bike Friendly University Bronze Level Award, there’s still a long way to go before the campus is fully accessible. Traffic, parking and accessibility are the issues that have worsened as campus has spread towards the Vista.

As of now, the Innovista Master Plan is an outline of methods campus can use to become more bicycle, vehicle and pedestrian friendly, all while developing Columbia into a college city. According to university officials, the main goal is to create a safe campus and improve sustainability, all while being cost effective.

The Plan focuses on improving facilities that already exist and remodeling them to be more efficient. Greene Street, for example, has become a pedestrian friendly road, with wide sidewalks, bike lanes and trees lining the side of the street. Using that kind of a model, the plan will improve congested streets like Sumter Street, Main Street and Assembly Street, in order to make all of Columbia more accessible to students.

McClurg and others who are developing the

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Vice chancellor and principal of the University of Johannesburg is the first speaker in a lecture series.

Rensburg tells USC ‘We are all human’

Johannesburg vice chancellor talks education, South Africa’s refusal to give up

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Ihron Rensburg sees the world as a global village.

“All challenges are shared,” he said. “We are all human.”

On Monday night, USC Rensburg, the vice chancellor and principal of the University of Johannesburg. This was the first in a series of forthcoming lectures which serve to highlight and promote leadership on both national and international stages. Rensburg’s

lecture addressed the education crisis in post-apartheid South Africa.

He detailed the history and injustices of apartheid in South Africa and how various systems of racial segregation by the white Afrikaner minority oppressed black citizens for almost 50 years. This longstanding oppression, he said, left the higher education gap wide and predominately white.

Schools now, Rensburg said, “need to be driven by science, technology and innovation.” By doing so, they would allow the South African economy to “move up the chain.” As a result, the University of Johannesburg and USC have forged what Rensburg called an “urgently constructed” partnership that aims to make education more accessible for not only the people of South Africa, but also for Americans.

“Around 40 percent of our population lives in poverty,” Rensburg said. “Increasing tuition would look great to our [bank] accounts, but what good would that do our students? I don’t think that’s fair. I don’t think that’s realistic.”

For the most part, students at the University of Johannesburg

are first generation college attendees.

“Because their parents have never seen the inside of a university, how are these students to know what the inside of a university looks like, how it functions?” said Rensburg.

With a poor elementary education program and undereducated parents, incoming freshmen to the university are at a major academic disadvantage.

“We have 2,600 tutors at our institution ready to work individually with anyone who needs it,” he said.

Rensburg’s personal goal is to minimize university failure and dropout rates. In his time as vice chancellor, he’s seen pass rates at the University of Johannesburg go from 50 percent to 75 percent over the course of eight years.

However, accessibility isn’t the only trouble the University of Johannesburg is facing. A demographic and retention assessment uncovered that there were too few teachers per student. The teachers themselves weren’t fully qualified to teach, and therefore suffered from low self-esteem.

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Student Health Services kicks off Wellness Week

Information sessions and lectures address many different health, wellness issues

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This week marks the beginning of Student Health Services’ Wellness Week, when from Oct. 28 to Nov. 4, members of the Gamecock community are encouraged to interact with information sessions and lectures oriented toward university students, faculty and staff.

Marjorie Duffie, Director of Public Relations and Marketing for Student Health Services, said Wellness Week is a chance for students to grow in their health knowledge.

“Illness or stress can greatly impact students’ academic success, so we want to give them the tools to better manage their health and overall wellness,” Duffie said.

With informational sessions on everything from sexual health to domestic violence, the week aims to be one of health nourishment for the entire university.

“Wellness Week is a range of events that address several major areas of health

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USC police move into newly renovated home

The USC Department of Law Enforcement and Safety is now located at the newly renovated 1600 Hampton St. Annex. Its previous location was on Senate Street.

“Nothing’s changed as far as the service we’re going to give the community,” said USC police spokesman Eric Grabski.

According to Grabski, the USC police website went down Monday because of the move. It is unclear exactly when the website will be working again, but Grabski said Monday that it will be in “a day or two.”

The contact numbers for the USC Department of Law Enforcement and Safety will remain the same.

The new location can be accessed through the front entrance located on the north side of the annex.

— Natalie Pita, News Editor



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University President Harris Pastides presented Ihron Rensburg with the honorary President’s Medal of Honor after his lecture Monday.

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IN BRIEF

USC satellite campus makes decision to go tobacco-free in new year

USC Beaufort will become tobacco-free on Jan. 1, 2015 exactly one year after the flagship university made the switch, The State reported.

At least 10 other South Carolina schools, the fifth-largest tobacco-growing state, already ban smoking or tobacco products, as well as 975 colleges and universities nationwide. These schools include USC Sumter and USC Upstate, and USC Aiken is planning to make the switch in July 2015.

USCB has allocated \$1,000 to help offer programs and products around campus to help end tobacco cravings.

USCB surveyed 450 students and 60 percent support a tobacco-free campus, and 87 percent of 100 faculty members surveyed support a tobacco-free campus. Of all survey participants, both students and faculty members, 95 percent believe secondhand smoke harms their health.

—Natalie Pita, News Editor

Candidate and former House Speaker withdraws from re-election

Former House Speaker Bobby Harrell has formally withdrawn from his re-election campaign, WIS reported. This announcement comes just under a week after he pleaded guilty to mishandling campaign funds.

“Pursuant with the court agreement, I am informing you that I am withdrawing from the 2014 election and resigning my office in the South Carolina House of Representatives at 5 p.m. today,” Harrell said in a letter to the State Election Commission.

Harrell's name will still be listed on the ballot, but election officials say he is not eligible to win the race. Voters in Harrell's district, District 114, will be told at the ballot box that the former candidate is now ineligible.

Harrell was expected to face Democrat Mary Tinkler.

—Natalie Pita, News Editor

Rock Hill man pleads guilty to charge, sentenced to 20 more years in prison

Syledrian Brooks, 25, of Rock Hill pleaded guilty to sexual assault of a 5-year-old girl Monday, The State reported.

Brooks has been in jail since he was arrested just under a year ago, and Judge Lee Alford sentenced him to 20 more years after he admitted to the crime.

“I just want to tell my family that I love them,” Brooks said in court.

According to officials, Brooks raped the child when he was babysitting her last year.

—Natalie Pita, News Editor

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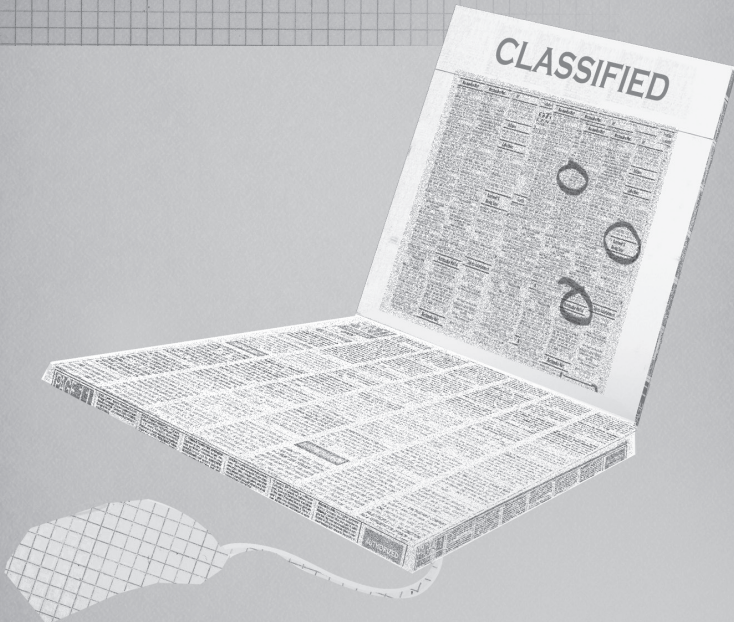
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Rensburg said that the University of Johannesburg is honored to partner with USC but was quick to explain the nature of that relationship.

“It only works if it goes both ways,” he said. “Relations in educational opportunities are greatly strengthened in the interest of all parties.”

University President Harris Pastides also commented on the partnership, saying that it is not “a collaboration of the best programs we each have to offer, but programs based on accessibility.” Pastides said he wishes to further the educational outreach of both universities to their respective communities.

Rensburg also reflected on his time as a political prisoner — in 1989, he spent almost 12 months in solitary confinement.

“There are two things that can happen when you spend that much time with yourself,” he said. “You can go off the wall, or you can reimagine what your life can be.”

Rensburg opted for the latter and emerged from prison with a renewed sense of purpose. And on Monday, Rensburg was presented with the President’s Medal of Honor.

Recently, the University of Johannesburg was paid a visit by Harvard professors who were also interested in a partnership with the campus.

“It’s difficult,” said Rensburg, speaking on what he called the “massive” salary gap, “to know the pay differences between Harvard professors who are paid to study poor communities, and the communities that they study. Their salary is 1,000 percent greater than that of Johannesburg professors.”

And Rensburg said he doesn’t believe that the South African government should be counted on to remedy the problem of plummeting test scores.

“That is not the state’s responsibility,” he said. He argued that the instillment of accountability in principals, educators and board members will have a dramatic effect.

Rensburg conceded that the road to universal South African education will be difficult and that progress will be slow, but he’s confident that the people of South Africa, especially university students, will meet their full global potential.

“We are ready to rise up to the challenge,” Rensburg said. “We are ready to play our part.”

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Innovista Master Plan have a vision of a mobile campus, one that has far less traffic and better parking facilities. One of the proposed ideas to combat this issue is adopting a “park once philosophy.”

The park once philosophy, as McClurg explained, is where a student would buy a permit to park their car in a single parking lot or garage and then would continue to class via a university bus or by walking. This would reduce street parking and traffic around campus while utilizing pre-existing university transportation.

However, the idea was met with some dissent at the forum.

Students voiced issues with the current bus system and specifically brought up the fact that the buses do not operate late at night, and it’s often difficult to tell when buses

will arrive, even with the aid of the NextBus app.

“There’s got to be a way to make parking and shuttle systems more rational, more effective in getting you to class in a timely fashion,” McClurg said. “We’ll work on that,”

Specifically, Michael Townes, the Vice President of CDM Smith and another member of the Transportation Master Plan’s board, explained that the university is potentially considering using new technologies, such as an improved smartphone app that will allow students to better determine where buses will be.

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and wellness, including financial, mental, physical, emotional and social wellness,” she said. “These events help students think more proactively about their health and well-being so they can be more successful overall at USC.”

The week will kick off with the Farmers Market Oct. 28 from 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., and Safe Zone Ally training will held on the same day from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. in Russell House 309.

Oct. 29 offers the “Domestic Violence @ Work Conference” from 8 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in the Russell House Theater, which aims to help students understand how domestic violence affects the workplace. And Scare Away Financial Stress from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. in Russell House 220 will teach students critical financial tactics to help them through their college years.

“Empty Space at the Table” will premiere Oct. 30 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Greene St. in front of the Russell House and will demonstrate the result of domestic violence on

the community. Also on Oct. 30 is “Say Boo to the Flu,”when students to get flu shots at the Thomson Student Health Center, from 10:30am to 1:30 p.m., also on Greene St.

Finally, culminating the week will be Suicide Prevention Training on Nov. 4 from 1 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. in Russell House 205. Participants can register online on the Student Health Services website.

Students and faculty are also given the opportunity to learn more about Student Health Services and the different opportunities that they offer to the community.

“Most students are concerned with staying well so they can maintain their busy schedules without interruption,” Duffie said. “The tips they can pick up from Wellness Week can help them stay healthy and well, especially as the busy holiday season and finals are approaching.”

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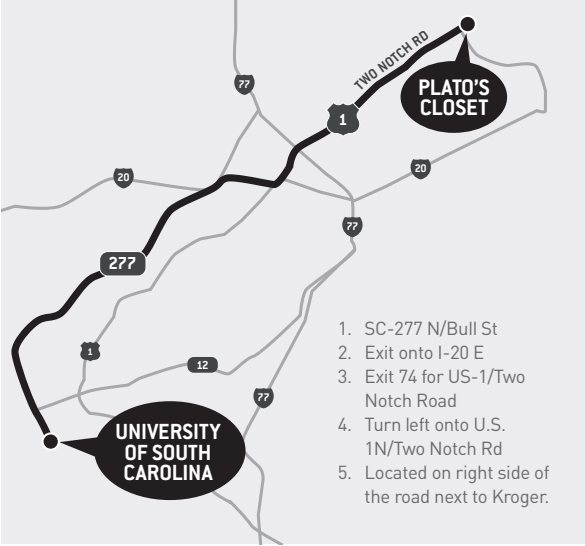
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Student drawn to future in arts



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Fourth-year painting student Tucker Prescott is spending this semester finishing a 6-foot by 9-foot piece as part of a class assignment and his senior thesis.

Tucker Prescott inspired by passions in painting, photography, film-making

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Tucker Prescott has drawn and painted since before he can remember. As a child, the fourth-year painting student spent a lot of time inside, sketching meaningless images with pencil and paper to occupy time. He

realized the process of drawing was interesting to him. “It feels good, like this is what I should be doing,” Prescott said. “There’s not necessarily a specific process of what I’m doing, whether it’s drawing with charcoal or paint. It’s about putting down a mark and making it lead into a full image.” Drawing figures and landscapes interests Prescott. One piece in particular has occupied his time since early September.

“The composition was developed first and the ideas of story came afterwards.” He said. “It’s still got a ways to go, but I want to have enough completed in time for the honors thesis showcase in November.” The assignment was to draw one of the nude models and create an original composition with the images. The students’ creative freedom gave them the opportunity to decide how they wanted their story to be portrayed.

The idea behind Prescott’s recent painting was whether to run or to face the forces of a problem or challenge. He wanted the subject of his painting to represent the multiple stages of inner conflict that a person goes through when facing a problem. “When I sit down to draw or paint, I think that I am going to paint something,” he said. “I am very representational, so I have to have

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Latest album gives group fresh sound, different start

“Hold My Home”
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Released: Oct. 21, 2014
Artist: Cold War Kids
Label: Downtown Records
Duration: 39 minutes

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“Robbers and Cowards” is what got Cold War Kids over 400 thousand likes on Facebook, but a lot has changed in the eight years since that album was released. The California-based indie group released their fifth debut “Hold My Home” last Tuesday, and with that came a new sound for the band we’ve always known. With their signature echoed drums and piano, Cold War Kids added a new element to this album that proves the group isn’t ready for retirement yet. As soon as you get through the first few tracks of “Hold my Home,” it’s clear that Cold War Kids is moving away from their repetitive Indie sound and



Courtesy of Downtown Records

Cold War Kids’ latest album “Hold My Home” came out last Tuesday.

towards an alternative rock feel. It’s nothing groundbreaking, but it’s a fresh start for this band. It’s different, but they’re moving in the right direction — without change this group was doomed to mediocrity. A change in sound is exactly what Cold War Kids needed to not only keep attention on them, but also to stay afloat. “Hotel Anywhere” is one example of a track that can leave a listener questioning the theme of the album. It’s extremely out of place, and the album’s fifth track sounds like an early 2000s U2 hit. It’s not a bad listen, but it’s a radically different style than anything Cold War Kids has put out in the past. There’s something about

Nathan Willett’s voice that puts the band on a new level. It’s hard to describe — whether it’s how it makes him sound like he’s on the verge of crying or the unnaturally high notes he hits, it works. That saying “You’re only as strong as your weakest link” stands true with “Hold My Home.” Each track builds off the last with different elements, and it meshes well. Slower ballads recorded along side quicker pick-me-up tracks keep the album interesting. Upon first listen, the songs come off as chaotic and mismatched, but this was no accident — each track works as a moving part, making for one solid album.

Swift keeps pop sound, upbeat

“1989”
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Released: Oct. 27, 2014
Artist: Taylor Swift
Label: Big Machine
Duration: 48 minutes

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Taylor Swift has done it again. Known for her irresistible, catchy tunes about personal relationships, the pop singer released her fifth studio album “1989” Monday. Much different from her first, self-titled album, “1989” rebrands Swift as a pop artist but with a refreshing twist. “1989” is like Marina and the Diamonds and Kelly Clarkson collaborated with The Naked and Famous.

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Courtesy of Big Machine

Taylor Swift released her fifth album yesterday.

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Surprisingly, not all of her songs are upbeat and hype oriented. Some are slow moving and have more soft-rock pop influences like “Blank Space.” Tracks like “Style” still retain Swift’s lyrical style of catchy choruses, but also add some noticeable guitar riffs. The album still has cotton candy-esque pop ballads like “Welcome to New York” and the single “Shake It Off.” Sweet, light and fun, these could be added to your party playlist.

Swift also had help from artists like Ryan Tedder of One Republic and Imogen Heap. “Clean” is a blend of Heap and Swift’s honeyed vocals and with a fresh look at Swift’s repertoire.

In addition, the production on “1989” has taken a different

direction, more baroque, rock-pop oriented rather than dance-pop, which can be seen in “Bad Blood” and “I Know Places.”

Overall, Swift preserves her sugary and infectious pop demeanor but with slight deviation. A lot of the tracks on this album are repetitive, an element that relates to how catchy the album is as a whole. Much of the subject material still relates to personal relationships and falling in love, which isn’t totally novel to Swift’s work.

Nevertheless, this album might be the start to Swift moving in a slightly different direction. Whether it’s subtle production differences or more guitar interaction, Swift’s “1989” is much like a cupcake: cute and sweet.

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something in mind. I’m not abstract when I think.”

As an artist, he has seen his abilities grow over time. After traveling alone to various places in Europe to hitchhike to Italy for a painting program, he saw a lot of creations that left him captivated.

“What impressed me and brought me to awe — and almost tears — was just the huge size of so many different paintings,” he said.

He described the paintings as incredible and beautiful, standing at 15 by 20 feet and larger. He hopes to incorporate size into some of his future works.

“Size is not necessarily something you can see on the Internet, but it’s a huge element in how people perceive the work,” he said.

Prescott spends four to 15 hours a week painting and still feels like

it’s not enough practice. But with the help of professors and courses designed to improve his abilities, he’s learned a lot.

“David Voros and Pam Bowers have been great professors who have taught me so much about materials, the oil process, and age-old traditions of European painting,” Prescott said.

Prescott is also interested in filmmaking and says he has used a lot of his artistic skills in this as well. He has an internship at Mad Monkey, a production company here in Columbia and works mostly on video editing.

It may seem intimidating that this senior has an extensive portfolio and is already doing so much, but Prescott still feels like he has room to grow.

“Time is important,” he said. “Do a lot. I always feel like I should be doing more. If you do more, you’ll get better at anything.”

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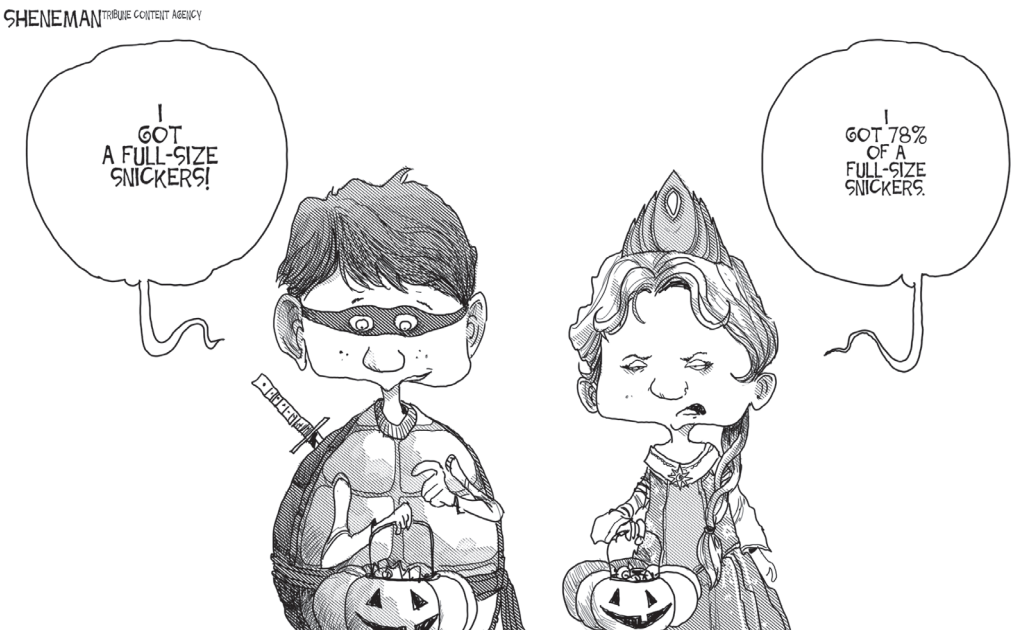
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Limited space on campus causes frustration.

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Students and the university can improve conditions.

One of the biggest problems on this campus is parking. Students wear their parking tickets like battle scars in the constant fight for a decent spot, or a spot at all. While a large portion of the parking problem has to do with student culture, there are concrete things that the university can change to improve the situation, including limiting who can park on campus and giving students a shuttle system they can trust as much as their own car.

We go to school in a city. It’s nearly impossible to find places to squeeze parking spaces between all the buildings and businesses. No matter how much we complain to the university about parking, they cannot just create space out of nothing.

What could solve a lot of these

parking predicaments is something that many universities have already implemented: not allowing freshmen to have cars on campus. As freshmen already have to live on campus and have a meal plan, there are few reasons a freshman would

“No matter how much we complain to the university about parking, they cannot just create space out of nothing.”

absolutely have to have a car to live on this campus.

College of Charleston, UNC Chapel Hill and many other universities have already implemented this parking plan for their large student bodies and limited parking areas, so why not here? While some freshmen might

resent this change, the current parking problems cannot continue.

The forum about parking held for students in Russell House Monday night tried to address the ever-deteriorating situation with a “Master Plan” that is less of a plan and more of a goal to improve mobility on campus.

One of the issues students were most verbal about was the limited scope of the bus system. The buses don’t run at late hours for students studying or participating in clubs or other evening activities. Students also feel that they cannot depend on the bus system to be on time and get them where they need to go. When the bus system has such a bad reputation it is difficult to persuade students to forgo their own transportation for it.

Students can help with the issue by being conscious of their impact on the situation. And freshmen, if you leave your car in a garage for weeks at a time without moving it, you’re taking a space from someone trying to get to class. Only using your car to drive home for Thanksgiving isn’t a reasonable excuse to take up everyone else’s

Graham must seek state support



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In the race for the presidency requires work on the ground

Aside from Monday’s nontelevised debate in a friendly environment, South Carolina’s senior U.S. Senator Lindsey Graham has pretty much avoided the state he represents this campaign season.

In fact, the news that he was in the state at a generic campaign event a few weeks ago was touted by the campaign. It shouldn’t be noteworthy that a senator returns home — that’s what they’re supposed to do, especially when running for re-election.

It is part of a trend with Graham, who seems to prefer talking about national issues rather than working on issues for South Carolina. In a recent study, the New York Times found that since 2009, Graham is among the most featured politicians on Sunday morning political news shows.

The others they highlighted? John McCain, a Republican household name; David Axelrod, the chief Obama surrogate; and Dick Durbin, a member of the Democratic Senate leadership. Graham is not a party leader, press spokesperson or even a member of the Senate leadership. He just likes to hear himself talk.

But narcissism isn’t the only explanation. Graham recently offered another possible reason for his all talk, no action brand of politics — he’s considering a run for President of the United States.

Graham is most known nationally for his extreme devotion to his mentor McCain, his war hawk positions and, most importantly, his addiction to appearing on television. His potential presidential candidacy would not be good for the country, as his increased national profile signifies a modern shift in politics from substance to soundbites.

Graham’s refusal to debate or appear in public this campaign cycle is understandable, if pathetic. His predecessor in the senate, South Carolina political legend Strom Thrumond, perfected the run-away-and-hide campaign style that allowed him to serve until 100 without public scrutiny. At least he built his reputation up through excellent constituent service and advocacy for the state, not TV appearances.

It makes political sense for an incumbent U.S. senator to hide behind a TV screen in Washington and talk, rather than campaign and listen. Despite that, it is not the behavior we should encourage in our leaders, let alone those considering running for president.

Regardless of his political positions, Graham should be taken to task by both parties for ignoring his constituency while promoting himself and his views to anyone with a camera.

Graham is not the first politician guilty of this sin, nor will he be the last. However, the nation should think twice about rewarding this “me first” brand of politics with increased influence and adoration. South Carolina should demand more of its senior senator. Otherwise, the state will be in his rearview mirror even more than it is right now.

Digital era requires choice



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Smartphone control up to user’s personal preferences

The best description of a smartphone I can think of came to me a couple days ago while I was tapping through The New York Times mobile app on my iPhone’s slick surface.

At the very heart of both its design and intended use, an iPhone is basically an amalgamation of a virtually infinite number of distractions into a small electronic brick.

The sheer number of things you can use to occupy your time boggles the mind. To list them here is unnecessary. Everyone who owns one of these personal distraction devices will know what I’m talking about.

Through some very complex process that is so “out there” it might as well be considered a form of magic, the tech wizards at Apple were able to condense the following into one smooth slab of plastic: the internet, all electronically available music (through iTunes or other methods), every major newspaper, a large swath of printed literature and an unthinkable number of addictive video games.

This device, more than any tangible device before or since, has the possibility to be every

thing to every person.

It can be a conversation partner (Siri) or conversation enabler (the relatively little-used phone aspect of the brick).

It can be a newsstand, a bookstore and a book, a computer (which, in fact, it is), an arcade parlor, an exercise buddy, a notepad and many, many more things.

I won’t attempt to persuade you that using this machine to its fullest extent is wholly “worse” than going to an actual newsstand or using an actual library.

Because, whether you like it or not, a device as small and graspable as the iPhone is changing the world we live in. They are starving the physical places where one used to buy books and music out of existence.

They only reason the aforementioned concepts exist is because they have some use to the individual or society.

Now that the iPhone has lovingly encompassed all of these concepts within itself, there will be a smaller place in the world for those physical constructions, and, therefore, those who live by them.

Soon, the idea of living without an iPhone will become a hardship too steep to overcome. Already, not having one (or having a lower-tech type of phone) is something like an oddity. Someone who continues to hold on to their flip-phone (or even a BlackBerry) is seen as someone either ignorant or stubborn in the face of overwhelming technology.

So, what is to be done? Should anything be done? So many

people have already embraced the position that smartphones (as well as all social media, apps and the rest of it) are a scourge on society, but no serious action has been taken by any of them.

The ability to do everything right now has too tight a grip on the public for those bleating pseudo-Cassandra types to have any real say in the conversation.

Others see them as an inevitable development into a purely electronic future, where the loss of the tangible (bookstores, record shops, etc.) is a small price to pay for the sheer amount of conveniences these small bricks provide.

As for me, it all comes down to choice. On one level, it’s a mug’s game either way: these smartphones are too useful for them not to bend society to their whim. Sooner or later, their dominance will be too pronounced to argue about. (We might already be at that point.)

But, as of now, it is the individual’s prerogative to choose how long he or she stays in the world of the physical, where one can exchange paper money for a physical disk or book. The main advantage of this is the ability to meet others. You aren’t going to meet someone with the same music or film or book taste as you by browsing through the vast iTunes library.

Living like this doesn’t require throwing your working smartphone into a bin.

All it requires is a healthy sense of when to click the lock button on your device, put it in your pocket and raise your eyes up to see the living world.

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Understand how domestic violence affects the workplace.
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Oct. 29, 5:30-7:30 p.m. in Russell House Room 220
Learn to make a budget, track expenses and avoid credit mistakes. www.sa.sc.edu/shs/cw/students/keepcalm

Empty Space at the Table
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20 Nikon D3S, e.g., briefly
21 Chops meat
22 Peaceful protest
23 Cake layer
25 Bullets with luminous trails
27 Place offering good looks?
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31 Frenzied indulgence
32 Martini request
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36 "Good job!" (and a hint to the beginning of 17-, 27-, 43- or 57-Across)
39 "The Color Purple" actress ___ Dawn Chong
40 Past
41 Creme-filled cookie
42 Pyramid plateau
43 Lake Tahoe's sole outlet
47 Renaissance
50 Stand up
51 What the fashionably late never are
52 Saharan
53 Many AARP mems.
56 Having a tiff
57 Penniless, as in the opening of "Me and Bobby McGee"
60 Mystical character
61 Egyptian symbol of life
62 Helmsley dubbed "Queen of Mean"
63 Went lickety-split
64 Snoopy
65 Longtime NBC newsmen
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1 Apples on many desks
2 Play-of-color gem
3 Bold bravery
4 Work measure
5 Mr. Magoo's malady
6 Bigger than average, commercially
7 Hockey venue
8 Colony crawler
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27 Old Chevy
28 Wide-eyed
29 "The Chosen" author Chaim ___
32 Best way to cross a speed bump
33 Bring down, as a house
34 Wine datum
36 Fret
37 Stuck in ___
38 "Ugh!"
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43 Leaning
44 Like the smell of soil
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46 Conundrum
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BOWLS • Continued from 10

and the bowls themselves, but the decision will ultimately come down to the SEC.

For a team to be bowl eligible, it must have six wins, only one of which may come against an FCS opponent. At 4-4, the Gamecocks have to win two of their remaining four games to qualify for an invite to bowl season.

Based on the various possibilities for South Carolina’s final record, here are projections for where the Gamecocks could end up this winter.

South Carolina final record: 8-4
Destination: Belk Bowl

A four-game winning streak to end the season isn’t the most outlandish suggestion in history, but it would be pretty optimistic. The Gamecocks still host Tennessee and South Alabama with trips to Florida and Clemson as well. But if South Carolina is to run the table, a trip to Charlotte for the Belk Bowl is likely. This game is one of the six bowls that the SEC can choose from when placing the teams that finish between third and eighth place. This is the first year the Belk Bowl has had a tie-in with the SEC, previously hosting teams from the ACC and the AAC (formerly the Big East). While the ACC has stuck around, the AAC has been booted for the SEC. South Carolina fans have proven they travel well for bowl games, and a two-hour drive to a neighboring state would probably put a good number of garnet-clad people in seats. That plus a strong showing from the Gamecocks to finish the season would make South Carolina a prime candidate for the SEC’s brand new partner in the Belk Bowl.



South Carolina final record: 7-5
Destination: TaxSlayer Bowl

This is another scenario that would most likely see the Gamecock finish in the 3-8 window of the SEC. And South Carolina’s history with the TaxSlayer Bowl in its various incarnations could warrant a return trip if the Gamecocks are to go 3-1 in their last four games. South Carolina played in the first ever game in the bowl’s history, a 26-14 loss to Wake Forest in 1946’s inaugural Gator Bowl. The Gamecocks have played in the bowl four total times, making them the SEC team with the third-most appearances. The 2015 TaxSlayer Bowl has tie-ins with the SEC and the Big 10, so an invite for South Carolina would mean a fourth-straight bowl matchup opposite an outfit from that conference.



South Carolina final record: 6-6
Destination: Duck Commander Independence Bowl

This is certainly not ideal, but at 6-6, I’m sure the Gamecocks would welcome any bowl that would have them. The criteria for the Independence Bowl is the 10th-best available team from the SEC against the seventh selection from the ACC. With the exact amount of wins required for bowl eligibility, South Carolina would be at or near the bottom of the pecking order in the conference, most likely punching the Gamecocks’ tickets to Shreveport, Louisiana for the Duck Commander bowl.

VOLLEYBALL • Continued from 10

and then having our kids still gut it out ... I couldn’t be more proud of how brave they were.”

The Gamecocks didn’t exactly storm out of the gates Sunday against Missouri, losing the first set by a score of 18-25. But South Carolina showed the grit Swanson would go on to praise when it claimed the next three sets to earn the 3-1 victory.

Sophomore KoKo Atoa-Williams was the catalyst for the Gamecocks Sunday, notching 18 kills to match her career high. She surpassed her career-best hitting percentage on the day with a .515 mark.

Atoa-Williams’ efficient play contributed to South Carolina’s best hitting percentage as a team against SEC competition this season, hitting .358 in the contest.

Nine matches remain in the Gamecocks’ season, all of which are against conference opponents.

After South Carolina’s successful weekend, it sits at No. 6 in the conference behind Florida, Kentucky, LSU, Alabama and Texas A&M, respectively.

“This is a highlight of my four years so far,” Swanson said, “just working through the adversity that they had to work through and to beat a really solid team.”

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South Carolina final record: 5-7 or 4-8
Destination: The Rapture


There will be no bowl game. For either of these scenarios to happen, the Gamecocks would have to lose to Clemson, South Alabama or both. In the event of this grandiose disaster, you’ll want to seek shelter or just get out of town for a while. Purge-like events may commence as soon as the final whistle blows. We’ll cross that bridge when we come to it, though.

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South Carolina wins in exhibition



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Senior guard Tyrone Johnson led South Carolina with 23 points in the win over Benedict, his first action since being sidelined with an ankle injury in January.

Men’s basketball defeats Benedict in only preseason contest

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The South Carolina men’s basketball team unofficially opened its 2014-15 season Sunday with a 92-47 victory over Benedict College in an exhibition matchup.

More important than the final score against an inferior opponent was the attitude the team came out with and execution of fundamentals, two things head coach Frank Martin was pleased with.

“Real happy with our guys,” he said. “I thought we played to the way we practiced. Guys were more mature, were stronger. It was good to see our guys playing through the disciplines that we

teach. That’s what happens when you have experience on your team. You have guys that believe in the culture and they embrace it and they understand it.”

The culture Martin mentioned has been his top priority since accepting the head coaching position in March of 2012. Now entering his third season, he feels his team is ready to take the next step in the growing process.

One of the highlights of Sunday’s exhibition was the return of senior guard Tyrone Johnson. In his first game action since suffering a foot injury against Texas A&M in January, Johnson scored 23 points on 6-for-11 shooting, including four three-pointers.

The Villanova transfer, who appeared in 16 games last season before the injury, said he was happy just to put on the South Carolina jersey again.

“Sitting out for half a season and being able to be out there with my brothers

and playing for my coaches and coaching staff, it felt great,” Johnson said. “It was a great opportunity for us as a team to grow and we got a chance to play. Overall, I think it was a great job for us. This is just a stepping-stone for us.”

Five Gamecocks registered double-digit points, including sophomore guards Sindarius Thornwell and Duane Notice, who had 14 and 10, respectively. Junior forward Michael Carrera led South Carolina with a game-high 15 rebounds.

Though the start of the regular season is still 17 days away, the Gamecocks have already paid a price of the tenacious mentality Martin has instilled.

Martin announced after the game Sunday that junior guard Austin Constable is out for the season with a torn ACL. Freshman guard TeMarcus Blanton will also miss the 2014-15 campaign with a hip injury sustained in practice.

Even when junior forward Brian Steele (recovering from knee surgery) and sophomore guard Justin McKie (concussion) return, the Gamecocks will have 11 healthy players on their roster. Only nine players dressed for Sunday’s exhibition.

Martin said his coaching staff is considering holding tryouts for walk-ons to potentially add manpower to their practice drills. However, Martin said he is hesitant to disrupt a locker room that he has worked so hard to manage.

Overall, Martin feels that returning nearly the entirety of last year’s team is going to go a long way in his team reaching new heights this season.

“We’re in a better place as a team, and it’s all because we got experience and balance,” Martin said. “They understand what it takes to win a game, and they don’t take it for granted.”

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Projecting USC’s bowl destination

Shakeups in selection process could affect South Carolina

Danny Garrison
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For the last three seasons, South Carolina has been the model of consistency.

The Gamecocks have finished the regular season at 10-2 three consecutive times and earned themselves a trip to one of the more respectable Florida bowl games with SEC tie-ins (two Capital One Bowl visits and a cameo in the Outback Bowl).

The bad news: South Carolina is, by way of math and eyesight, not as good as those teams this year.

The good news: The death of the Bowl Championship Series not only created the College Football Playoff, but the shock waves have led to other changes bowl-season changes that could benefit the Gamecocks.

In years past, bowls would invite teams to play in their respective games, often aligning with conferences to keep consistent matchups. For example, South Carolina’s trip to the Capital One Bowl last year was the result of the game’s agreement to pit an SEC team against a Big 10 opponent.

This year, for the first time, the Southeastern Conference itself will place its bowl-eligible teams into games with which the SEC has a tie-in. There will be collaboration between the conference

Volleyball finds winning form



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Sophomore KoKo Atoa-Williams registered career highs in hitting percentage and kills Sunday against Missouri.

Gamecocks earn 2-consecutive SEC victories over weekend against Mississippi State, Missouri

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Heading into this weekend, the South Carolina volleyball team was reeling.

The Gamecocks had lost four-consecutive matches, three to conference opponents. But South Carolina took steps towards getting back on track over the weekend, notching back-to-back wins over Mississippi State and Missouri.

The Gamecocks opened their weekend Friday with

a 3-1 victory over the Bulldogs, paced by junior Sarah Blomgren’s performance.

Blomgren turned in career highs in hitting percentage (.538) and kills (17) in the winning effort.

While South Carolina was expected to take care of business against a last-place Bulldog team with just one conference win, Sunday’s victory over the defending SEC champion Tigers meant the world to head coach Scott Swanson and his team.

“This is such a huge win for us,” Swanson said. “Coming back from having a four-game losing skid to having a bunch of injuries right before this weekend